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Referring now to FIGURE 3, there is provided a wire feeder 90 in accordance with the present invention. Wire feeder 90 is designated as a U-Type wire feeder. This wire feeder is a universal type wire feeder which can be used with many different types of power supplies. As shown in FIGURE 3, wire feeder 90 can be connected to a Type A power supply 40, a Type B power supply 40', a type C power supply 40", etc. These power sources may be designed to generate a current and/or voltage level which is the same or different. For instance, the Type A power supply may be manufactured by The Lincoln Electric Company, the Type B power supply may be manufactured by Miller Electric Company, and the type C power supply may be manufactured by ESAB. As can be appreciated, the power supplies can be manufactured by other manufacturers. For purposes of describing this particular embodiment and not for purposes of limiting the same, the Type A power supply will be described as generating voltage and current to operate a wire feeder wherein the voltage level is 24 volts, the Type B power supply voltage level is 48 volts, and the type C power supply will be described as generating a voltage and current to operate a wire feeder wherein the voltage level is about 240 volts. Wire feeder 90 of the present invention is designed to be connected to all three of these different power supplies without having to modify the electrical circuitry of the wire feeder or power cable 100. As described above with respect to FIGURE 2, when the wire feeder is connected to a power supply generating a current and/or voltage that is different from the current or voltage rated to operate the wire feeder, the power cable has to be modified to include a transformer 50 so that the power generated by a particular power source is compatible with the electrical components of the wire feeder. Wire feeder 90 of the present invention is designed to not require modification prior to the wire feeder being connected with a

particular power source. As can be appreciated, power cable 100 may include a universal connector or an interchangeable connector to enable the power cable to be mechanically connected to a particular power source; however, the interchanging of a connector so as to allow a power cable to be mechanically connected to a particular power source does not constitute the altering of the electrical characteristics of the power cable or wire feeder 90 for purposes of the present invention.